

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ruprecht KROKER, et al.

GAU:

SERIAL NO: New Divisional of 10/334,000

EXAMINER:

FILED: Herewith

FOR: PREPARATION OF TERT-BUTYL ESTERS OF ALIPHATIC C1-C4-CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/334,000, filed January 27, 2003, allowed, which is the U.S. National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP01/08710, filed July 27, 2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e): Application No. Date Filed
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

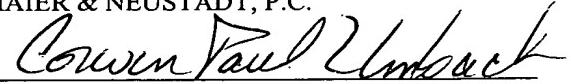
<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Germany	100 36 959.6	July 28, 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number PCT/EP01/08710, filed July 27, 2001. Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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